Paultney June 27th 1822

Dear Mother

I now for the first time seat myself to write a few lines one whom I long to see and embrace. I was very much disappointed when I came home and found you gone. I could scarcely refrain from tears. I still continue to attend school and going through the system of writing which I think will be very useful to me indeed. For nearly a month I have been daily looking out for Brother and Sister but all to no purpose. Rupert shares a good part of my thoughts in the silent watches of the night as well as day. We are all in good health. I do not think I have known what it to enjoy better health for several years. I have abundant reason to thank you for the several kind opportunities you have so liberally favoured me, and hope by my future exertions to render you ample satisfaction for them. Give my to all the family, and twenty kisses to Reuben and do not let Susan forget me.

From your affectionate daughter Maria

Mrs Polly P Fisher

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